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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed May 5, 2003, which is due on or before November 5, 2003, with a three-month extension of time. A petition for extension of time along with the required fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3) is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayments of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, reference 25669-016.

Please amend the application as follows.